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SUBJECT: BLUE LANTERN LEVEL 3: PRE-LICENSE END-USE CHECK
ON LICENSES 050059704, 050089662 AND 050095708

REF: (A) 07 STATE 157006 (B) 07 BANGKOK 6129

11. (U) This is an Action Request. See paragraphs 2 - 4.

12. (U) The Department's Office of Defense Trade Controls Compliance (PM/DTCC) requests Post's assistance in conducting a pre-license check on licenses 050059704, 050089662 and 050095708 for the export of firearms to Thailand. Post is requested to complete this Blue Lantern check within 30 days. Lack of response to a Blue Lantern check will affect pending and future licenses involving parties to this license.

13. (SBU) Reason for Request: Three license applications were submitted with Thailand's Department of Provincial Administration listed as the end-user. The sum value of the three licenses is in excess of one million dollars, thus requiring Congressional Notification. This end-user has a history of submitting large orders through several license application (reftel A; reftel B). Licenses 050059704 and 050089662 have already been approved and 050095708 is still under review. This request is to verify the bona fides of these transactions in support of the Congressional Notification and to determine if multiple licenses were submitted as a deliberate attempt to circumvent US notification regulations.

14. (SBU) Action Request: Post should make the appropriate inquiries to confirm the bona fides of these transactions and of the end-user. Post should obtain the proper documentation from the Government of Thailand (GOT) and determine how many purchase orders the GOT submitted to US applicant, Colt Defense, LLC. Post should also confirm the receipt of the firearms on 050089662 and 050059704. The following questions are included for guidance:

- Can the GOT confirm its orders for the firearms listed on these license applications? Why is the GOT party to three licenses to acquire these rifles instead of one large license? Did Colt Defense LLC recommend several small orders as opposed to a large order?

- Why is the GOT purchasing this large quantity of M4 carbines? Are they undergoing a modernization program, increasing numbers for personnel, etc?

- What weapons will these M4 carbines replace?

- What is the GOT going to do with the older weapons that are being replaced?

In its reply, Post may also comment on any other information

pertinent to these transactions such as security of facilities, end-use, and concerns about the entities involved.

15. (U) Details of license applications:

1A.

DTC Case: 050059704

QUANTITY/COMMODITY:

550 Colt M4 Commando, Model R0933 Carbines

License Value: USD \$825,000

SELLER:

Colt Defense LLC
547 New Park Avenue
West Hartford, CT 06110

FOREIGN CONSIGNEE:

Kamolart Commercial Co., LTD
99 Moo 3 Tambon Nongping Ampur Mauang
Nakornsawan 6000
Thailand
Tel: 02-522-2230

FOREIGN END-USER:

Bureau of Territorial Defense Volunteer
Department of Provincial Administration
Ministry of Interior
Nakornsawan Road Dusit District
Bangkok, Thailand

PURPOSE: For use by the Bureau of Territorial Defense Volunteer, Department of Provincial Administration, Ministry of Interior in Thailand for peace keeping and protection from terrorist activity.

1B.

DTC Case: 050089662

QUANTITY/COMMODITY:

550 Colt M4 Commando, Model R0933 Carbines

License Value: USD \$825,000

SELLER:

Colt Defense LLC
547 New Park Avenue
West Hartford, CT 06110

FOREIGN CONSIGNEE:

Kamolart Commercial Co., LTD
99 Moo 3 Tambon Nongping Ampur Mauang
Nakornsawan 6000
Thailand
Tel: 02-522-2230

FOREIGN END-USER:

Bureau of Territorial Defense Volunteer
Department of Provincial Administration
Ministry of Interior
Nakornsawan Road Dusit District
Bangkok, Thailand

PURPOSE: For use by the Bureau of Territorial Defense Volunteer, Department of Provincial Administration, Ministry of Interior in Thailand for peace keeping and protection from terrorist activity.

1C.

DTC Case: 050095708

QUANTITY/COMMODITY:

650 Colt M4 Commando, Model R0933 Carbines

License Value: USD \$975,000

SELLER:

Colt Defense LLC
547 New Park Avenue
West Hartford, CT 06110

FOREIGN CONSIGNEE:

Kamolart Commercial Co., LTD
99 Moo 3 Tambon Nongping Ampur Mauang
Nakornsawan 6000
Thailand
Tel: 02-522-2230

FOREIGN END-USER:

Bureau of Territorial Defense Volunteer
Department of Provincial Administration
Ministry of Interior
Nakornsawan Road Dusit District
Bangkok, Thailand

PURPOSE: For use by the Bureau of Territorial Defense Volunteer, Department of Provincial Administration, Ministry of Interior in Thailand for peace keeping and protection from terrorist activity.

16. (U) Submitted in support of the license application were the following documents (PM/DTCC will fax documentation to Posts upon request):

1A.

DSP-83 signed by Chartee Sookthawee (No Date Provided), Chatpong Chatraphuti dated 08/01/2007, and Glenna White dated 08/01/2007

End Use Certificate No. 9237 signed by Chatpong Chatraphuti dated 28 May 2007

Purchase Order from Kamolart Commercial Co., LTD (No date or Order No. provided)

1B.

DSP-83 signed by Chartee Sookthawee (No Date Provided), Chatpong Chatraphuti (No Date Provided), and Michael McCarthy dated 16 Oct 2007

End Use Certificate No. 0311.1/17954 (difficult to read) signed by Chatpong Chatraphuti dated 5 Oct 2007

Purchase Order No. 2-07/B1 from Kamolart Commercial Co., LTD (No Date Provided)

1C.

DSP-83 signed by Chartee Sookthawee (No Date Provided), Chatpong Chatraphuti (No Date Provided), and Glenna White dated 03/19/2008

End Use Certificate No. 0311.1/17955 signed by Chatpong Chatraphuti dated 5 Oct 2007

Purchase Order No. 2-07/B2 from Kamolart Commercial Co., LTD (No Date Provided)

¶7. (U) Please slug reply for PM/DTCC - BLUE LANTERN COORDINATOR and include the words "Blue Lantern" and the case number in the subject line. POC is Kyle M. Ballard, Phone: 202-663-1929; Email: BallardKM@state.gov; SIPRNET: BallardKM@state.sgov.gov. The Blue Lantern Guidebook (ref) is available as a PDF file in the Bunche Library's E-Book Collection on the DOS Intranet: [http://virtuallibrary.state.gov/BlueLanternGuidebook2006%2520 final .pdf](http://virtuallibrary.state.gov/BlueLanternGuidebook2006%2520%20final.pdf)

¶8. (U) Department is grateful for Post's assistance in this matter.
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